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PME GROUP LIMITED
必美宜集團有限公司*
(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 379)

ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement in respect of increase in the turnover and decrease in the price of the shares of the Company.

The Shareholders of the Company and other investors should exercise caution in dealing in the shares of the Company.

This statement is made at the request of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”).

The directors of PME Group Limited (the “Company”) have noted the recent increase in the turnover and decrease in the price of the shares of the Company and wish to state that we are not aware of any reasons for such movements.

The Company has signed a non-legally binding statement of intention with an enterprise established in the PRC (the “Chinese Party”) to set up a joint venture (the “Proposed JV”) for the manufacturing and sale of polishing compounds, polishing wheels and other polishing materials in the PRC. The Chinese Party and its ultimate beneficial owner are not connected persons, as defined in the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the “Listing Rules”), of the Company.

We wish to state that the amount, timing and other details of the Proposed JV have not yet been finalised. No binding agreement in relation to the Proposed JV has been entered by the Company. The Proposed JV may or may not proceed. The Company will keep the public informed by making further announcements on the progress of the Proposed JV as appropriate.

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Saved as disclosed above, we confirm that there are no negotiations or agreements relating to intended acquisitions or realisations which are discloseable under Rule 13.23 of the Listing Rules, neither is the Board aware of any matter discloseable under the general obligation imposed by Rule 13.09 of the Listing Rules, which is or may be of a price-sensitive nature.

Made by the order of the Board of the Company, the directors (except for the independent non-executive directors Messrs Anthony Francis Martin Conway and Li Kin Kent who are unable to be contacted) of which individually and jointly accept responsibility for the accuracy of this statement.

By Order of the Board
PME GROUP LIMITED
Cheng Kwok Woo
Chairman

Hong Kong, 21 May 2004

* *For identification purpose only*

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises (1) Mr Cheng Kwok Woo, Mr Cheng Kwong Cheong, Ms Cheng Wai Ying, Mr Chow Yin Kwang, Ms Chan Yim Fan and Mr Chung Kam Fai Raymond as executive directors; (2) Mr Zheng Jin Hong as non-executive director; and (3) Messrs Anthony Francis Martin Conway and Li Kin Kent as independent non-executive directors.

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